

## NEWS

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PROFESSOR DR. FRIEDRICH HILDEBRAND, Freiburg, has just retired from active service.

E. E. BOGUE, professor of forestry in the Agricultural College of Michigan, died at Lansing, August 19, after a lingering illness, at the age of 42.

DR. H. P. LYON has resigned his position as assistant professor of botany in the University of Minnesota, to accept a position with the Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association at Honolulu.

GINN AND COMPANY have announced *A manual of the North American gymnosperms* by Professor D. P. PENHALLOW. It is to be an account of the anatomy of the group, together with their systematic presentation on the basis of their vascular anatomy.

PROFESSOR J. E. KIRKWOOD has resigned his position at Syracuse University, having been appointed assistant to the International Rubber Co., with headquarters at Torreon, Mexico. Dr. W. L. BRAY, University of Texas, has been appointed professor of botany at Syracuse.

DR. H. N. WHITFORD, in government service in the Philippines, has been spending some months in the United States and has now started upon his return journey. A few weeks are to be spent in the Santa Catalina Mountains with a party from the Desert Botanical Laboratory.

AMONG the numerous Linnaean memorial addresses published recently, none is more interesting and sympathetic than the one delivered by Professor E. L. GREENE at a joint meeting of the Washington Academy of Sciences, the Biological Society of Washington, and the Botanical Society of Washington. The citation is Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci. 9:241-271. 1907.

PROFESSOR L. M. UNDERWOOD has published (Pop. Sci. Monthly 70:497-518. 1907) a most interesting sketch of "The progress of our knowledge of the flora of North America," a sketch which should be read by the whole generation of younger botanists, who are in danger of remaining ignorant of the important history and of the great names that lie behind their present work. It is marred by uncalled-for slurs on some whose memory is to be held in highest honor.